Water Supply and Resource Protection Tools

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List of Water Supply and Resource Tools

- Tool 1: Pre-CERP Baseline
- Tool 2: PIR Baseline Condition
- Tool 3: Initial Reservation
- Tool 4: Regional Water Availability
- Tool 5: CERP Reservations



Tool 1: Pre-CERP Baseline

(WRDA 2000 Requirement)

- Existing Legal Sources as of December 2000
 - "Savings Clause" elimination or transfer of source
- Applies to actions that implement CERP only
- Reference point for measuring amount of existing water available for the natural system and human uses
- Does not change through time



Tool 2: PIR Baseline Condition (WRDA, 373.1501)

- Reflects current condition at time of PIR formulation
 - Changes through time
- Reference point for determining planning objectives of CERP project design
- Addresses Section 373.1501 requirements for protection of existing legal users
 - CUPs issued at the time of PIR formulation
- NEPA baseline (existing condition requirement)



Tool 2: PIR Baseline Condition (WRDA, 373.1501) (cont.)

■ Will include:

- Authorized projects with an approved water control plan at the time of formulation
- Previously approved PIR's
- Other non-CERP structural or operational changes



Tool 3: Initial Reservation (2004) (LECRWSP recommendation - not a WRDA requirement)

- Used for interim protection of fish and wildlife for current environmental conditions. Includes:
 - Everglades National Park
 - Water Conservation Areas
 - Estuaries: St. Lucie, Caloosahatchee, Biscayne Bay, Florida Bay, Loxahatchee River
 - Big Cypress National Preserve
 - Lake Okeechobee
 - Holey Land Wildlife Management Area
 - Rotenberger Wildlife Management Area



Tool 3: Initial Reservation (2004) (LECRWSP recommendation - not a WRDA requirement) (cont.)

- Reserved under state law, Chapter 373.F.S.
- Reserves quantity of water from allocation to consumptive uses
- Will protect CUPs issued at the time of reservation adoption consistent with state law
- Quantity of water which CERP reservations will build upon



Tool 4: Regional Water Availability (2004)

(LECRWSP recommendation - not a WRDA requirement)

- Identifies current regional water available for CUP allocation
- Consistent with initial reservations
- Amended through time based on changes in availability of regional water supplies for consumptive uses by CERP and Non-CERP projects



Tool 5: CERP Reservations (WRDA 2000 requirement)

- Implemented under state law, Chapter 373.F.S.
- Water made available by CERP projects for the natural system
- Identified for each CERP project
- Add to initial reservation (Tool 3)
- Reserved from allocation by CUP



Inter-Relationships of Water Supply and Resource Protection Tools

CERP Water Water Reserved for the Natural System

Tool 2. PIR Baseline Condition
Tool 5. CERP Reservations

Water Available for Consumptive Use

Tool 2. PIR Baseline Condition

Tool 4. Regional Water Availability (Revised)

Baseline Water **Existing Water Delivered by CS&F Project**

Tool 1. Pre-CERP Baseline (12/2000)

Tool 3. Initial Reservation (2004)

Tool 4. Regional Water Availability (2004)



